IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Atty Dkt No.: 003433.00096

Subhra BOSE et al.

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Serial No.: 10/560,285

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Filed: December 12, 2005

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For: BUSINESS PROCESS AUTOMATION

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

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Sir:

This submission is being filed on the same date as a response was filed in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for the referenced application to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C.§ 371 dated January 31, 2007 (Missing Requirements Response).

The Assignee of the referenced patent application, Reuters America, Inc., 3 Times Square, 20th Floor, New York, NY 10036, and signed joint inventors Steve Scimone, Nallan Sriraman, Arthur Bernstein and Philip Lewis hereby petition to act as the Rule 47(a) Applicants for nonsigned joint inventors Subhra Bose, Ziyang Duan and Radu Grosu in the above-referenced application for the reasons outlined below.

The requirements for a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47 (a) requires (1) the requisite fee under 37 CFR §1.17(g) (\$200), (2) an oath or Declaration executed by the available joint inventor(s), (3) the last known address of the nonsigned inventor(s), and (4) a petition

including proof of the pertinent facts establishing that the joint inventor(s) refuses to join or cannot be found or reached after diligent effort.

(1) Fee

Please charge our Deposit Account Number 19-0733 the fee in the amount of \$200.00 for the filing of this petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(g) and any other fee that is necessary.

(2) Executed Declarations for the signed inventors

The executed declarations for signed joint inventors Steve Scimone, Nallan Sriraman, Arthur Bernstein and Philip Lewis were submitted on the same date, August 31, 2007, to the United States Patent and Trademark Office along with the Missing Requirements Response.

(3) Last known addresses

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B. Ziyang Duan

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C. Radu Grosu

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(4) Proof of inability to reach inventors after diligent effort

A. SUBHRA BOSE

On Feb. 8, 2006, the complete patent application, a Declaration, and a U.S. Assignment document were delivered to the address noted above in Hauppauge, NY, to the attention Subhra Bose and signed for by M. Pilz. (Exhibit A). The cover letter for the Feb. 8 delivery asked Mr. Bose to review the application, sign the Declaration and Assignment documents, and return the executed documents to the undersigned. (Exhibit B).

On April 7, 2006, the undersigned obtained an apparently updated address for Mr. Bose from a background report on Mr. Bose provided by Intelius (Exhibit C). On April 10, 2006, the complete patent application, the Declaration, and the U.S. Assignment document were delivered to his attention at the address noted above in Mohegan Lake, NY, and signed for by R. Bose (Exhibit D). The cover letter for the April 7 delivery also asked Mr. Bose to review the application, sign the Declaration and Assignment documents, and return the executed documents to the undersigned.

The undersigned has attempted numerous times since June 2006 through August 31, 2007, to obtain updated contact information for Mr. Bose and to contact him via telephone, but has been unsuccessful in locating updated address information or a correct telephone number. Both addresses noted above continue to show up as current addresses in background searches (latest search performed on August 31, 2007). As of August 31, 2007, the undersigned has not received any communication from Mr. Bose.

B. ZIYANG DUAN

On Feb. 7, 2006, the complete patent application, a Declaration, and a U.S. Assignment document were sent to the address noted above in Centereach, NY, to the attention of Ziyang Duan via Federal Express, but were returned to the undersigned as being an incorrect address for Mr. Duan. (Exhibit E). The cover letter for the Feb. 7 mailing asked Mr. Duan to review the application, sign the Declaration and Assignment documents, and return the executed documents to the undersigned. (Exhibit F).

On April 7, 2006, the undersigned again sent the complete patent application, the Declaration, and the U.S. Assignment to the address noted above in Centereach, NY, to the

attention of Ziyang Duan via certified U.S. mail with a request to forward the mailing to a forwarding address, if available. The April 7 mailing was also returned to the undersigned as being the incorrect address and no forwarding address was indicated as being available.

The undersigned has attempted numerous times since June 2006 through August 31, 2007, to obtain updated contact information for Mr. Duan and to contact him via telephone, but has been unsuccessful in locating updated address information until recently or a correct telephone number. The Hicksville, NY, address noted above appeared as a potential updated address for Mr. Duan in a background search performed on August 31, 2007. (Exhibit G). As of August 31, 2007, the undersigned has not received any communication from Mr. Duan.

C. RADU GROSU

On Feb. 7, 2006, the complete patent application, a Declaration, and a U.S. Assignment document were sent to the address noted above in Rocky Point, NY, to the attention of Radu Grosu via Federal Express, but were returned to the undersigned as being undeliverable ("Recipient was not in when we attempted delivery"). (Exhibit H). The cover letter for the Feb. 7 mailing asked Mr. Grosu to review the application, sign the Declaration and Assignment documents, and return the executed documents to the undersigned. (Exhibit I).

On March 8, 2006, the undersigned obtained a business address for Mr. Grosu at Stony Brook University where he was and currently is listed as a member of the faculty. (Exhibit J). On March 9, 2006, the complete patent application, the Declaration, and a U.S. Assignment document were delivered to the receptionist at the address noted above at Stony Brook University in Stony Brook, NY to the attention of Mr. Grosu and signed for by K. Germana (Exhibit K). The cover letter for the March 9 delivery also asked Mr. Grosu to review the application, sign the Declaration and Assignment documents, and return the executed documents to the undersigned.

The undersigned has attempted numerous times since June 2006 through August 31, 2007, to obtain updated contact information for Mr. Grosu, but has been unsuccessful in locating updated address information. However, the undersigned has called Mr. Grosu several times since June 2006 through August 31, 2007, at his business number at Stony Brook University (631-632-9801) and has left voice messages (note that Mr. Grosu's business telephone would not accept messages during the summer of 2007 through Aug. 31, 2007 due to the mail box being

full). The addresses noted above continue to show up as current addresses in background searches and the web site for Stony Brook University (latest searches performed on August 31, 2007). As of August 31, 2007, the undersigned has not received any communication from Mr. Grosu.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that sufficient proof has been provided of diligent efforts to reach nonsigning joint inventors Subhra Bose, Ziyang Duan and Radu Grosu. Accordingly, the Assignee and signing joint inventors of the referenced patent application petition to act as the Rule 47(a) Applicants for nonsigning joint inventors Subhra Bose, Ziyang Duan and Radu Grosu in the above-referenced application.

The undersigned, on behalf of the Assignee and the signing inventors, hereby petitions to proceed with the application in the name of the Assignee and the signing inventors.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: August 31, 2007

By:

Anthony W. Kandare, reg. no. 48,830

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February 7, 2006

Subhra Bose 88 Parkway Drive Hauppauge, NY 11788 VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Re:

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Named inventors: Subhra Bose et al. Applicant: Reuters America, Inc. Our Reference no. 003433.00096

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Sincerely,

Anthony W. Kandare

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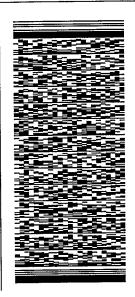
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